



Kid Book Review

with SMART Reading

A family activity to culminate the SMART Reading year. Recommended for first through third-grade students. All submissions will be included in a raffle for various prizes.

Directions:

1. Ask your child to go through all of the books they received from SMART Reading this school year and pick one that they really love.
2. Read or listen to it again.
3. Invite your child to write, draw, or record a book review answering some of the questions below.
4. Take a picture of their review or upload their video and email it to smart@smartreading.org.
Submittal of pictures and videos authorizes usage on SMART Reading's social media, website, and promotional materials.

Book Review Guide:

This guide is meant to provide a helpful structure for the review, but it does not need to be followed exactly. Feel free to be creative and let your review flow naturally!

Introduction

"My name is _____ (first name only). I am in _____ grade. I am reviewing a nonfiction (true book) or fiction (made up story) book called _____ (title) written by _____ (author) and illustrated by _____ (illustrator)."

Plot Summary

"In this book _____."

What is this book about? Tell us what happens in the shortest way possible.

What is the problem or conflict in the story? How does it get resolved?

Evaluation

"I really love this book because _____."

What did you like about this book?

Did you love the message or lesson the book taught you?

Do you love the illustrations? Why?

Do you love a character or characters? Why?

Did you learn new facts or information from the book? If so, what did you learn and why is it important?

Recommendation

"I would recommend this book to _____ because _____."

Would you recommend this book to other kids your age?

Who else do you think should read this book?

Ways to be Creative:

- Review a book you didn't like or one you would not recommend to other kids.
- Color the bookmark you received from SMART Reading and take a picture of it with your book.
- Dress up like the character of the book you are reviewing.